

Key vocabulary

A. Write the meaning of the words below in the spaces provided. Use the sentences to help you guess the meaning.

1. can stand (*expression*): _____
E.g. I don't mind waiting for her at the bus-stop. I can stand the hot weather.
2. options (*noun*): _____
E.g. You are an intelligent student. You have so many options to think about.
3. at the moment (*expression*): _____
E.g. I don't have enough cash to pay for my meal. At the moment, there is only RM5.00.
4. cut off (*phrasal verb*): _____
E.g. I was speaking to my mother on the phone. Suddenly, the line was cut off.
5. drive me mad (*expression*): _____
E.g. Can you please keep quiet? You are so noisy! In fact, you are so annoying and you are driving me mad!!!
6. have no idea (*expression*): _____
E.g. What is she talking about? I have no idea!
7. walk out (*phrasal verb*): _____
E.g. The place is so smelly and dirty! So, I walk out of the place.
8. out of date (*expression*): _____
E.g. Oh dear, your computer is rather old and out of date. You may want to get a new.

B. Complete the sentence with the correct words given in the box.

drive me mad	at the moment	cut off	walk out
out of date	have no idea	can stand	

1. I think it's time for me to get a new car, because it's _____. The *Ford Fiesta* seems nice and trendy.
2. I can't go online with the EPiC coach because the Internet line is easily _____.
3. The sales assistant was really rude and unfriendly. I just took my handbag and _____ from the clothes shop.
4. I think I lost my car keys. I _____ where I have placed them. Please help me find the keys.
5. I _____ the perfume that he's using. It's choking me!

Understanding parallel expressions

Choose the option that has the same meaning as the sentences given.

1. Your sense of fashion is nothing special. You need to change your outfit. Otherwise, you will be out of date.
A. Your fashion style is completely updated.
B. Your fashion style is ultimately fresh and new.
C. Your fashion style needs some new ideas and concepts.
2. You've got a scholarship from Harvard University. After you graduate, you will have many options to choose for your potential company.
A. She doesn't have an opportunity to look for a better company.
B. She has much choice to look out for a better company.
C. She can only choose two potential companies.
3. There are so many things in the house. At the moment, you need to clean your bedroom first.
A. Your kitchen needs some cleaning.
B. Your bedroom needs some cleaning.
C. Your living room needs some cleaning.

Listening Practice 1

Listen to two old men complaining about modern life. Complete the chart with the correct answers you hear.

Modern life	Problems that they are facing
1. Automated answer phones	
2. Domestic machines	
3. Car radios	
4. Choosing a computer	
5. Computer printers	
6. Last year's technology	
7. Too much choice	

Listening Practice 2

Listen again and complete the missing information in the spaces provided.

1. The telephone _____ are busy at the moment.
2. The dishwashers have too many _____.
3. The old man can't find _____ on the car radio.
4. The other old man fails to find _____ when he wants to print something.
5. The camera sales assistant told the old man that the old camera is ready for a _____.